

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

TRAFFIC COUNCIL REPORT

THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2003

Present: Candace Havens (Chair) Ald. Christine Samuelson (Aldermanic Appointee)  
Captain Sbordone (Police) Evelyn Addante (Planning) Rosalie Myers (Clerk)

Absent: Nina Wang, Traffic Engineer

#438-02                      ALD. BAKER, SAMUELSON, AND SANGIOLO requesting consideration of limited parking restrictions on the portion of SUFFOLK ROAD from approx. 163 through 217, 10-34 OLD ENGLAND ROAD, and 11-18 CLOVELLY ROAD, all adjacent to or near the Houghton Garden/Webster Conservation area on Suffolk Road, in order to complement existing parking restrictions on Woodman Road and other streets near the Houghton Garden. (Ward 7)

ACTION:        APPROVED 3-0

NOTE:        The Committee discussed the 60-day trial that commenced in late January of Two Hour Parking from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on the side of Suffolk Road next to Houghton Garden. At the November 21, 2002 meeting, this item was held by the Traffic Council. Candace Havens told the Council that Nina Wang, Acting Traffic Engineer, would not be present and reported that Ms. Wang has observed that since signs have been posted, there have been no violations of traffic laws. She felt there probably wasn't a need for the regulation but she has not noticed that this restriction was pushing cars into any other location. At this time, she noted that the restriction was not causing a problem.

Ald. Baker said the police have been very responsive in dealing with this issue. He feels the restriction has accomplished the objective. He also said there has been cooperation with Boston College.

Missy Lash of 46 Woodman Road feels the restriction has worked out very well. Chris Hill of 163 Suffolk Road also feels the restrictions appear to be positive and should continue.

Ald. Samuelson moved approval and the Committee voted 3-0 in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalie Myers, Clerk